

Choose the correct answer. Write a, b or c in the box.

1	Gabi and I had fallen out of touch, but yesterday she contacted me _____ the blue.	a out of	b on	c inside	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Do you think it's Sean's lack of confidence that's _____ him back?	a falling	b catching	c holding	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	_____ did he know that they were planning a surprise party for him.	a Little	b Seldom	c Hardly	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	The facilities at the hotel are incredible, so staying there _____ an arm and a leg.	a costs	b takes	c pulls	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	My friend Veronique took me out for pizza after work – it really made my _____!	a turn	b day	c time	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Tom's unemployed at the moment, so he's struggling to make ends _____.	a meet	b to meet	c meeting	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	That project was a real _____ story. They're making a film about it now.	a succeed	b success	c successful	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	I find my colleague, Raheem, quite talkative at work. _____, he's very good at his job.	a Furthermore	b Moreover	c Nevertheless	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	My sister doesn't usually let me _____ her car at the weekend.	a borrowing	b borrow	c to borrow	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	The buses here are unreliable. As a _____, I often don't get home until 9 p.m.	a fact	b result	c reason	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Despite trying to start a programming club at school, his idea didn't catch _____.	a on	b over	c up	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	Rarely _____ we seen such an amazing performance from one of our pupils.	a do	b did	c have	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	We took _____ chance asking Jin to join the team, and luckily it worked out well.	a the	b a	c one	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	I'm pleased to tell you that you passed the test with flying _____.	a targets	b colours	c expectations	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	These experiments have enabled us _____ new medical treatments.	a to develop	b develop	c developing	<input type="checkbox"/>
16	Ana is such a positive person. You can rely on her to make the _____ of a situation!	a good	b better	c best	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	The accident was a blessing in _____ because I made some new friends after that.	a disguise	b disaster	c discovery	<input type="checkbox"/>
18	Our neighbours are so noisy – their party at the weekend was the last _____!	a stretch	b straw	c struggle	<input type="checkbox"/>
19	No sooner had I left _____ I realized I'd forgotten my coat.	a but	b than	c when	<input type="checkbox"/>
20	I don't think you should post that comment on Twitter. You risk _____ a lot of your followers.	a upset	b to upset	c upsetting	<input type="checkbox"/>

- 21 _____ to the fact that the client doesn't speak English, we had to use a translator. a Owed b Owing c To owe ☐
- 22 I told my boss that I'm moving away, and she took the news really _____. a well b wrong c good ☐
- 23 My landlady isn't particularly friendly, but _____ always reply when I email her. a she b she does c does she ☐
- 24 We're looking for somewhere _____ that isn't too far from the beach. a to stay b stay c staying ☐
- 25 No sooner _____ put the phone down when the doorbell rang. a I had b I c had I ☐
- 26 Do you regret _____ such an expensive phone? a buy b to have bought
c having bought ☐
- 27 Under _____ circumstances would I ever work there again! a no b not c never ☐
- 28 My interview went fairly well, but I definitely _____ up a few of my answers. a missed b messed c passed ☐
- 29 Try not to worry about making your speech. I'm sure you _____ it inside out. a let b know c turn ☐
- 30 He was the first politician _____ the government's mistake. a realizing b realize c to realize ☐
- 31 They said the cold weather was _____ blame for the low audience numbers at the festival. a a b the c to ☐
- 32 We had been practising for almost four hours when we decided to _____ it a day. a call b tell c say ☐
- 33 I've done everything except _____ the table. Could you do that? a lay b laying c to lay ☐
- 34 We stopped at the market so _____ to buy some fresh bread and olives for lunch. a and b as c that ☐
- 35 Only after watching that documentary _____ to become vegetarian. a she decided b she did decide
c did she decide ☐
- 36 They warned us not _____ a taxi from the airport. a to get b get c getting ☐
- 37 Berlin has plenty to see. _____ addition, the nightlife there is great. a With b On c In ☐
- 38 There's no point _____ them to the concert – I'm certain they won't come. a invite b to invite c inviting ☐
- 39 In no way _____ expect this kind of reaction from our fans. a did we b we did c we'd ☐
- 40 To be honest, her most recent novel falls short _____ what I expected. a on b of c from ☐